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SUBJECT: ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE IN NETHERLANDS

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1. SITUATION IN NETHERLANDS WITH ODC AND DAO IN MANY RESPECTS COMPARABLE TO THAT WHICH EMBASSY OSLO DESCRIBES. OVER LONGER RUN I ALSO HAVE ASSUMED THAT ODC WOULD BE ABLE TO GO OUT OF BUSINESS, BUT AS SAME TIME I RECOGNIZE THAT CERTAIN SECURITY ASSISTANCE-TYPE FUNCTIONS WILL REMAIN. I SHARE EMBASSY OSLO'S JUDGMENT, NOW SUPPORTED BY LONDON, THAT PREFERRED ULTIMATE ORGANIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENT HERE WOULD BE TO COMBINE DAO AND SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNCTIONS.

2. IN MY VIEW, INTEGRATED MILITARY AFFAIRS OFFICE COULD LEAD TO IMPROVED OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND WOULD ENSURE THAT OUR MILITARY RESOURCES ARE FULLY EMPLOYED. SINCE WASHINGTON IS CURRENTLY LOOKING AT POSSIBLE WAYS TO REDUCE LEVEL OF SPENDING, THIS PROPOSAL SHOULD HAVE ADDITIONAL APPEAL FROM MANAGERIAL AND BUDGETARY STANDPOINT.

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3. IN CASE OF NETHERLANDS ANOTHER FACTOR IS RELEVANT. SOME ELEMENTS IN MOD DELIBERATELY CHOOSE TO IGNORE ODC AND DEAL ONLY WITH DAO. CONSOLIDATION WOULD SOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

4. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE I REQUEST DEPT ALSO CONSIDER

SEEKING CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION PERMITTING DAO HERE
EVENTUALLY TO ASSUME ODC FUNCTIONS.
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